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Estuary Crossing Shuttle Bus - City of Alameda Wins Regional Grant Monies

The City of Alameda Public Works Department received a grant from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District through the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) Regional Fund program to operate an Estuary Crossing Shuttle Bus for a period of two years. The shuttle bus will travel between the cities of Alameda and Oakland during the commute hours, and will stop at the College of Alameda and Lake Merritt BART (near Laney College). The targeted shuttle bus users are bicyclists and students, faculty, and staff from the College of Alameda and Laney College, as well as the general public. The estuary crossing shuttle bus will provide an alternate to driving to more than 2,500 students who are enrolled at both colleges and need to travel between the two schools. The shuttle bus also will help College of Alameda students and Alameda residents and employees who travel to/from Lake Merritt BART station. Bicyclists will have an additional way to cross the estuary in that the 40-foot bus will be customized to include 12 bicycle racks within the bus. The Public Works Department plans to start the shuttle bus service in the summer.

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